



Attorney Docket No.: 70436RCE

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : KARLINGER
Serial No. : 10/051,605
Confirm. No. : 1127
Filed : January 16, 2002
For : CLAMPING ELEMENT...
Art Unit : 3677
Examiner : RODRIGUEZ, Ruth C.
Dated : January 27, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 (a)

Sir:

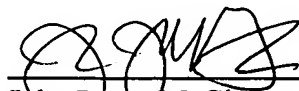
The Final Office Action dated September 9, 2003 provided for a shortened statutory period for response of three months.

The shortened statutory period expired December 9, 2003.

Since the attached response is being filed within the second month pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) Examiner is respectfully requested to charge attorney's deposit account the appropriate petition fee of \$420.00 (fee code 1252).

Respectfully submitted
for Applicant(s),

By:


John James McGlew

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For: MCGLEW AND TUTTLE, P.C.

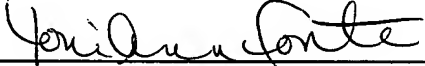
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SHOULD ANY OTHER FEE BE REQUIRED, THE PATENT AND
TRADEMARK OFFICE IS HEREBY REQUESTED TO CHARGE SUCH FEE TO
OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 13-0410.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING
DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS EXPRESS
MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: COMMISSIONER FOR
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